

Description	Board of Park Commissioners		
Date	12/21/2005		Courthouse Community Room
Time	Speaker	Note	
5:04:41 PM	Acting Chairman Patrick Finnegan	Call to Order-Board Members Present : Rick Fink, Jack Clarkson, Acting Chairman Patrick Finnegan, Donna Gottsch (arrived at 5:13pm), and Bob Logar. Board Members Absent : Debbie Deagen and Carol Collins. Staff Present : Open Lands Coordinator Mike Harris and Recording Secretary Christina Thompson.	
5:04:52 PM	Acting Chairman Patrick Finnegan	Approval of Minutes for October 19, 2005 and November 16, 2005	
5:04:59 PM	Jack Clarkson	Move to approve the minutes as they were presented	
5:05:03 PM	Rick Fink	Second	
5:05:10 PM		Motion passed unanimously	
5:05:14 PM	Acting Chairman Patrick Finnegan	Public Comment-None	
5:05:24 PM	Acting Chairman Patrick Finnegan	Discussion and Approval of Strategic Plan	
5:06:37 PM		Board Questions and Discussion	
5:09:46 PM	Bob Logar	Motion to approve the Strategic Plan as presented	
5:09:51 PM	Rick Fink	Second	
5:10:07 PM		Motion passed unanimously	
5:11:09 PM	Acting Chairman Patrick Finnegan	Mr. Finnegan suggested to board members representing municipalities to make sure their council members are informed of the adopted Strategic Plan.	
5:11:28 PM	Acting	Discussion on County Wide Master Plan	

	Chairman Patrick Finnegan	
5:13:11 PM	Mike Harris	Mr. Harris discussed the implementation of impact fees for Gallatin County. Mr. Harris noted that Missoula County uses impact fees for parks. With new regulations in Montana, in order to use impact fees, you need to have an analysis detailed enough so that your infrastructure plan is so well laid out, you can document the infrastructure you need, the time frame it will be built in, and the level of service you will be providing, along with existing and needed expansion of capacity. Mr. Harris added that a consultant has been hired by the County to do a feasibility study on impact fees for capital facilities and other situations that will be completed this February. Now that the park inventory is complete, the board will need to determine an administrative structure, meet with municipalities and see what interest they have in forming service areas and work cooperatively on maintenance, design and enforcement of parkland.
5:17:41 PM	Acting Chairman Patrick Finnegan	Mr. Finnegan recommended the planning committee to review the park inventory and determine service areas in the municipalities.
5:18:41 PM	Mike Harris	Mr. Harris suggested that the Board include schools as recreation sites in the current park inventory.
5:24:58 PM	Acting Chairman Patrick Finnegan	Discussion and Decision on Goals for Regional Park and FOR Parks Cooperation with Board of Park Commission
5:25:36 PM	Mike Harris	Staff update on contractual Regional park projects and upcoming projects.
5:32:09 PM		Board Questions and Discussion
5:36:36 PM	Acting Chairman Patrick Finnegan	Mr. Finnegan stated we would like to have our county master plan in place, have the borders solidified, complete the contract for the buy-sell, make sure infrastructure is in place, review the needs assessment, have a level of service, and ensure funding is in place to develop our master plan and for maintenance before other projects begin.
5:38:07 PM	Mike Harris	Staff Clarification and Continued Board Discussion
5:41:17 PM	Donna	Motion to move that a master plan be completed before we

	Gottsch	move forward with any new facilities in the Regional Park
5:42:42 PM	Jack Clarkson	Mr. Clarkson suggested modifying the motion to include "implementation of additional facilities".
5:43:28 PM	Mike Harris	Mr. Harris suggested drafting a letter that included the sentence, "In view of the time schedule FOR Parks want to keep with the design of the Regional Park, the Park Commissioners want to expedite a facilities and engineering plan to institute a design as soon as possible".
5:44:07 PM	Donna Gottsch	Motion to move that the master plan be completed before the implementation of existing FOR Parks plans.
5:44:21 PM	Rick Fink	Second
5:44:30 PM		Motion passed unanimously.
5:44:33 PM		Mr. Harris will complete a letter to FOR Parks at next month's Board of Park Commissioner's meeting.
5:44:51 PM	Mike Harris	Other : Mr. Harris stated that the Big Sky parks project received level 1 approval from the Open Lands Board.
5:46:24 PM	Christina Thompson	Ms. Thompson handed out the results of the Fish, Wildlife, and Parks grant that was awarded to FOR Parks for improvement on the Regional Park.
5:47:24 PM	Acting Chairman Patrick Finnegan	Mr. Finnegan gave an update on the trails committee and noted that he will have guidelines and regulations on trails for the subdivision review process at next month's Board of Park Commissioner's meeting.
5:51:54 PM		Board Discussion and Staff Clarification
5:57:36 PM	Acting Chairman Patrick Finnegan	Set Agenda, Meeting Time, and Location
5:57:38 PM	Acting Chairman Patrick Finnegan	Action items: 1) The Master Plan for the Regional park 2) Planning committee to review inventory 3) Board members to ask municipalities about service areas 4) Review the FWP survey.
5:58:45 PM	Mike Harris	Mr. Harris suggested inviting Bozeman School District Facilities Manager Gary Griffith to discuss recreational facilities on school properties around Bozeman at the next meeting.
5:59:19 PM	Mike Harris	The board will consider Arrow leaf Hills Subdivision park to determine motorized or non-motorized status at the next meeting.

6:02:51 PM	Acting Chairman Patrick Finnegan	Adjourn
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